



RIVER ROAD CHURCH

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COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Last year, after a several year hiatus, we resurrected the Thanksgiving service at River Road Church. We invited our friends from Quioccasin Baptist Church to join us for this worship service and Rev. Dr. Theodore Brown, Quioccasin's pastor, delivered a stirring sermon on the true meaning of gratitude.

I am pleased to announce that we will again have a Thanksgiving worship service on **Monday, November 25, at 7:00 pm**. This year, our friends at **Quioccasin have invited us to worship in their sanctuary** at 9011 Quioccasin Road and they have graciously invited me to preach. What's more, some River Road musicians will have a special part in the service, too.

I am grateful that our church has nurtured a relationship with Quioccasin Baptist Church. As theirs is a predominantly African-American church, and ours is a predominantly Anglo church, worshiping together gives us an opportunity to live out our belief that Christ calls us to be one. Moreover, our joint worship serves as a testimony to this broken world that Christ's love brings us together.

I hope you'll make plans now to attend this service as we lift our hearts to God in gratitude and celebration of all God is doing in our church, in our world, and in our lives. Thanks be to God!

BY DANIEL GLAZE



Dr. Brown preaches at River Road Church

A Veterans Day Celebration & Luncheon

Monday, November 11

11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall

For all who have generously served the people of our country, we are hosting a luncheon celebration. Some of our preschoolers will begin this special event by welcoming you with song and little something special. Lunch will be enjoyed together, with a devotional time by Retired Army Chaplain, Rev. Todd Combee following. Rev. Combee is a local pastor and is the Director of Chaplain Services for the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV). Rev. Paul Honaker will play some patriotic favorites on the keyboard and we just might tap a toe or sing along. Join us as we recognize the meaning of this day and give thanks for veterans.

Lunch will include soup, sandwich, beverage, and dessert. The cost of lunch is \$9 per person (cash or check to RRCB w/veterans lunch in the memo).

Reservations are required. RSVP by calling the church office or filling out the form online at rrcb.org/vetlunch.

Choose one in each category:

Soups

- Baked Potato
- Turkey Chili
- Creamy Tomato

Sandwiches

- Ham & Swiss
- Almond Chicken Salad
- Mediterranean Veggie

Children & Youth Events

- November 1-3: Youth Fall Retreat
 - November 9: Preschool Fun Morning
 - November 16: Youth Dinner & Trivia Night
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First Sunday Food Share

Sunday, November 3

River Road Church has a long history of working in many capacities with our three Baptist Centers: Church Hill, Oregon Hill, and South Richmond. On the first Sunday of each month, you are invited to bring a bag of food for the Centers and place it in one of the green grocery carts in the Upper or Lower Commons. To best serve our centers and their communities, the center directors are requesting smaller-sized products.

Suggested Shopping List:

- cans of vegetables and fruit
 - cans of soup and canned entrées (example: Spaghettios)
 - cans of meat: small cans of tuna, chicken
 - cans of pork and beans or other beans
 - boxed macaroni and cheese
 - packages of powdered milk
 - boxes of cereal
 - rice and dry pasta
 - peanut butter and jelly
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Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Tuesday, November 5

7:00 a.m., Reception Room

All men are invited for breakfast, fellowship, and partnership in prayer. Please make a reservation by calling the church office.

FIXERS

Thursdays, November 7 & 21

8:00 a.m., Reception Room

The FIXERS (Frequently Ingenious, eXtremely Energetic, Righteous Servants) are dedicated to keeping our beautiful church facility in top working order. The FIXERS meet for breakfast and fellowship, then break into teams and work on projects around the church. Please contact Daniel Ingram (804-288-1131) if you can make it.

Here's a test:

- Do you know what a weed looks like in a mulch bed?
- Do you know which end of a screwdriver to hold?
- Does holding a broom not intimidate you?
- Do you like free breakfast?

If you answered "yes" to one or more of these questions, you are qualified to join the FIXERS! Even if you didn't answer "yes" to any of the questions, you're still qualified to join the group. Men and women of all ages are encouraged to come. (As you can tell, our standards are not very high.)

Men's Group: The Huddle

Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room

The Huddle is a small group of men who minister to each other, make a plan to bring their lives together on a regular basis, and keep faith in that plan and each other. For more information, please contact Bill Thurston (804-514-3360).

Yoga, 5:45-7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 7 in Assembly Room

Mondays, November 11 & 18 in LC #102

Hatha Yoga is a gentle form of stretching exercise that offers many health advantages. Darcie Anderson is our instructor. There is a \$10 fee for each class you attend. Beginners and newcomers are most welcome.

FLO Luncheon (For Ladies Only, 50+, Single Again, Just Single, and Caregivers)

Friday, November 8

12:00 p.m., Tarrant's West

RSVP to Jean Ellis (jean782carter@verizon.net or 804-272-7672) and let her know if you would like to carpool.

Take a Night to Reconnect

Date Night for Couples

Friday, November 8

6:30-9:00 p.m.

Couples will gather at church and receive some fun and interesting questions for your discussion during the evening. During this November date night, questions will focus on your shared past and story. After we welcome you, provide your questions, and open in prayer, you are free to go. Each couple may spend the time wherever they choose. Take a walk, eat out, go to a favorite spot... enjoy some time talking together.

Childcare is available, by request, for \$5 per child. Please pick up your child by 9:00.

Sign up at rreb.org/datenight to let us know if you will attend and whether or not you will need childcare.

Youth Sunday Nights

November 10

- 4:45: River Road Camerata
- 5:00: Youth Choir
- 5:45: Youth Snack Supper
- 6:15: Youth Program

November 24

- 4:45: River Road Camerata
- 5:00: Youth Choir
- 5:45: Youth Snack Supper
- 6:15: Youth Program

November 17

- 4:45: River Road Camerata
- 5:00: Youth Choir
- 5:45: Youth Snack Supper
- 6:15: Youth Program

The Comma Club Luncheon & Program

Tuesday, November 12

12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

The program speaker is Tom Allen, editor of the *Virginia Journal of Education* and author of *Grace Happens: Adventures in Everyday Living* and columnist for the RTD's "Faith & Values" feature. You will enjoy Tom's sharing his view of the world. He will also have his books available for purchase and autograph (\$10). Please make your reservations by Friday, November 8 by calling the Church Office, or filling out the form online rrcb.org/seniors. Lunch is \$12 per person.

Save the Date December 10: Lunch at RRCB & Christmas Concert by Jubilation Choir at Second Baptist Church

The group is primarily made up of senior adults, though it is not a requirement; anyone interested in a program is invited.

WMU Connectors

Friends Helping Friends

Tuesday, November 12 (second Tuesday)

7:00 p.m., Home of Vivian Clingenpeel

Our speaker will be Stacey Brinkley from *The Doorways*. Connectors is open to all women and you're invited. Bring a friend! RSVP to Ray Nelson at rayzor846@gmail.com.

Interested in helping others in our Richmond Community? Being an active friend in helping to feed the homeless at Oregon Hill Baptist Center? Want to hear about missions' efforts and needs from those who are in the field and walk the walk? The WMU Connectors gathers on the third Tuesday during the months of September thru April with programs and speakers that will expand your knowledge of needs in the area.

Friends helping friends by doing the Lord's work together.

Evening Bridge

Tuesday, November 12

7:30 p.m., LC #102

Anyone who likes to play bridge is invited to join us. Contact Kitty or George Davis (804-285-9782) for more information.

Catch Your Breath Brunch

Saturday, November 23

9:00-11:00 a.m., The Colonies Clubhouse

River Road ladies you're invited, before the holidays, for a *Catch Your Breath Brunch*. Bring a covered dish to share. We will enjoy a wonderful meal and friendship, pausing for a few thoughtful moments and a deep breath. RSVP at rrcb.org/ladiesbrunch.

Parents of College Students—Please send your child's mailing address to marnie@rrcb.org.

TFC Wednesday, November 6

- **4:30-5:15: River Road Camerata**, Main Rehearsal Room
- **5:15-6:15: Dinner**, Fellowship Hall
- **5:45-6:15: TFC-Kids:** Missions Education, UC #228
- **6:00-7:00: TFC-Youth:** Games & Dessert, Youth Area
- **6:15-7:00: TFC-Adults**, Assembly Room
Wealth and Poverty in the Bible and Today with Rev. Dr. Samuel L. Adams
- **6:15-7:00: Children's Choirs**
 - Crusader Choir (3rd-5th grades), Main Rehearsal Room
 - Carol Choir (1st & 2nd grades), Youth Rehearsal Room
 - Cherub Choir (Pre-K & Kindergarten), UC #232 (6:45 end)

TFC Wednesday, November 13

- **4:30-5:15: River Road Camerata**, Main Rehearsal Room
- **5:15-6:15: Dinner**, Fellowship Hall
- **5:45-6:15: TFC-Kids:** Missions Education, UC #228
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TFC Wednesday, November 20

- **4:30-5:15: River Road Camerata**, Main Rehearsal Room
- **5:15-6:15: Dinner**, Fellowship Hall
- **5:45-6:15: TFC-Kids:** Games & Snacks, Chapel Hall
- **6:00-7:00: TFC-Youth:** Games & Dessert, Youth Area
- **6:15-7:00: TFC-Adults**, Assembly Room
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HISTORICAL HALLMARK

The early founders of River Road Church began to meet formally in 1945 and later held services in Cannon Memorial Chapel, University of Richmond.

Worship services in our present buildings were held 1950-1957 in the Chapel; 1957-1969 in the Fellowship Hall. The first service in the Sanctuary was held on October 12, 1969.

E. Carl Freeman Concert Series

All Saints' Sunday Worship River Road Chancel Choir with Orchestra

Sunday, November 3, 2019
11:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Franz Schubert — *Mass in G major*

Seraph Brass

Sunday, November 24, 2019
2:30 p.m., Sanctuary
America's dynamic brass ensemble drawing from a roster of
America's top female brass players.
FREE tickets available at rrcb.org/eventbrite

Christmas Choral Concert River Road Chancel Choir with Brass, Harp, and Organ

Sunday, December 8, 2019
7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Christmas with American Composers
including works by Pinkham, Lauridsen, and Stroope

Harpichord Recital Jory Vinikour

Sunday, March 15, 2020
2:30 p.m., Sanctuary
More about this internationally acclaimed harpichordist at
joryvinikour.com

Organ Recital

Marilyn Brattskar (Oslo, Norway)

Sunday, March 29, 2020
2:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Dr. Brattskar is Cantor (Music Director) at the 13,000-member
Holmen Church in Asker, Norway.

Vocal Recital

John Tibbetts, baritone Raymond Chenault, piano

Sunday, May 17, 2020
2:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Broadway, Spirituals, and More!

More about John Tibbetts at operajohn.co

Spring Choral Concert River Road Chancel Choir with Orchestra

Sunday, June 7, 2020
7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
Franz Schubert — *Mass in A flat major*

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Happy Birthday!

November 1

Nancy Bailey
Camden Koskinen

November 2

Micah Breckenridge
Paula Mercer
Jim Wilson

November 3

Chris McGee
Aimee Wester

November 4

Hill Almond
Brenda Bass
Joyce Parker
Ron Tamagni

November 5

David Harris

November 6

Kathy Fowler
Caroline Lynch

November 7

Carolyn Camden
Isabella Cloe
Laurie Gray
Donna Tyler

November 8

George Davis
Paul Thompson

November 9

Melanie Butterworth
Mary Lynn Byrd

November 10

Richard Cloe
Carolyn Hartz
Dan Stevens

November 11

Marguerite Bostic
Sandra Briggs
James Jante
Steve Larson
Peggy Marr
Pat Schools
Marilene Sheppard
Ann Wilson
Richard Wood

November 12

Carol Decker
Susan Ryan
Allison Story
John Zukowsky

November 13

Loretta Albertis
Ashley Glaze
Susan Halloran
Diane Shoemake
Janet Spencer
Dottie Williams

November 14

Alexander Knerr
Evan Knerr
Jan Taylor

November 16

Elizabeth Cruickshanks
Ellen Gwathmey
Barry Harmon
Debbie Stoddard
Buddy Sumner

November 18

Raj Chatterjea
Susan Gwathmey
Oliver Merritt

November 19

Lee Bradley
Pat Huband
Myrna Shirah
Dick Strauss

November 20

Karen Cothran
Pat Dickinson
Marty Halloran

November 21

Levonne Cousins
Meghan Zukowsky

November 22

Molly Bacigal
Townsend Sexton
Bea Tyler

November 23

William Sheppard
Martha Younger

November 24

Tom Arrington
Chris Booth
Libby Collier
Sandra Marshall
Jon Williams

November 25

Laura Lee Chandler

November 26

Mike Price
Ella Grace Ryan
Lucille Strauss

November 27

Mary Collier
Audrey Harris
Susan Phillips

November 28

Bill Stanton

November 29

Barbara Holdren
Randy Horne
Pat Powell

November 30

Jessica Baker

Happy Anniversary!

November 1

Linda and Ron Benton – 50 years

November 3

Page and Ted Kral – 12 years
Joany and Rick Scherer – 12 years

November 5

Charlotte and Jim Ladd – 42 years

November 9

Beth and Tim Clingenpeel – 6 years
Betty and Gene Damon – 56 years

November 14

Casey and Bo Hawthorne – 13 years

November 15

Mary Lee and Tom Starke – 16 years

November 23

Carolyn and Al Whitley – 54 years

November 25

Betsy and Steve Lowery – 41 years

November 27

Sharon and John Wake – 43 years